



Dear Reader:

The Help America Vote Act (HAVA) has brought nationwide focus to elections and voting with some new changes taking effect in June 2004. The State of New Jersey has implemented many measures intended to educate voters regarding the election process and is committed to making the election process accessible to all citizens. To this end, New Jersey offers the 2004 Chronological Elections Guide - a clear and comprehensive source of information concerning elections for each level of public elected office.

This year the enhanced guide includes information on congressional and legislative district maps which will assist readers with voting districts statewide. Also, new to the guide is a full-year calendar view section and a glossary of election terms.

The Guide is a product of a cooperative effort between a diverse group of individuals statewide, who work collaboratively to ensure that voter concerns are addressed and that the public is well informed. With the assistance of the election official community, I believe that we have produced one of the most practical elections guide for the State of New Jersey.

Our right to vote is an important civil right, as well as a civic responsibility. For further information about voting and elections please visit our website at www.njelections.org.

I hope you find the Guide informative and helpful.

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